

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 01 Apr 2022 until 23:59 on Saturday 02 Apr 2022

Forecast Issued on Thursday 31 Mar 2022 at 10:32 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for gradual change to milder conditions through the coming days. Medium for the detail of poorer weather through the transition.

Headline for Friday 01 Apr 2022: Turning rather cloudy and showery during the morning. Showers thinning as snow level lifting later Friday. Bitterly cold at height.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 01 Apr 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Light snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	20%	20%	80%	70%	40%	40%	40%

Forecast for Friday 01 Apr 2022

Weather: Mainly dry overnight with only a few isolated light snow showers about, but cloud thickening from the west towards dawn. Cloudy through the morning with a band of showery sleet and snow soon feeding from the northwest, with heavier outbreaks across northern and western ranges. This clears to the south through the afternoon, as a mix of brighter spells and scattered mostly light showers follow from the north.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: During the morning 10-20% becoming 80% during the afternoon

Low cloud and visibility: Good becoming moderate to very poor in rain and snow, widespread through the morning, infrequently during the afternoon. Also only a few metres within cloud with bases becoming extensive from 600m during the morning, infrequently so for the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	16/18 NW	12/14 W	13/16 W	16/20 SW	13/17 W	16/22 NW	18/23 N	19/23 N	12/14 N
900	13/15 NW	10/12 W	13/15 W	14/18 SW	13/17 W	15/20 NW	17/22 N	18/22 N	10/13 N
600	8/10 NW	6/8 W	7/10 SW	10/14 SW	10/14 W	11/16 NW	12/17 N	10/15 N	6/9 N
300	2/10 N	2/9 W	3/10 W	3/12 SW	5/13 W	6/16 NW	6/17 N	4/15 N	2/9 NW
Glen	4/9 N	3/6 N	2/5 N	5/10 W	5/11 W	6/13 NW	9/16 N	8/15 N	4/9 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-6/-14	-6/-12	-5/-12	-4/-11	-4/-10	-3/-10	-4/-11	-4/-11	-4/-10
900	-5/-12	-5/-11	-4/-11	-4/-10	-3/-9	-2/-8	-3/-9	-3/-10	-4/-9
600	-3/-7	-3/-6	-2/-6	-2/-6	-1/-5	0/-4	-0/-5	-1/-6	-1/-5
300	-1/-3	-1/-3	-1/-3	0/-2	2/-1	3/0	2/-0	1/-1	0/-2
Glen	1/-2	1/-2	1/-0	3/1	4/1	5/3	5/2	4/1	3/1
Freezing Level*	00m	00m	100m	200m	400m	500m	500m	400m	400m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Difficult conditions through the morning with severe wind chill, extensive hill fog and quite persistent outbreaks of snow.

Forecast for Saturday 02 Apr 2022

Weather: Largely dry with only the odd light isolated shower possible between the prolonged bright and sunny spells.

Maximum wind: North 15mph or less.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Virtually 100%

Low cloud and visibility: Good or very good.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 3 Celsius increasing plus 7 Celsius for the afternoon
At 800m: Minus 4 Celsius
Freezing level: 400-500m